

The Palestinian Crisis: What is The Obligation of All Muslims?

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If there is good in the translation then it is from Allaah, and if there are mistakes then it is from me and the shaytaan; and your advise would be appreciated inshaAllaah.

Question:

This one is requesting a statement in regards to the Palestinian brethren; and what is necessary -from the rulers, the Ulamaa, and the Muslims- in regards to them?

And this other one also is seeking a statement of advice.... And Allaah is the Helper.

Answer:

Wallaahi my brothers; we do not have capacity [greater or] other than **supplicating for them**, so the *qunoot* is legislated – and if it is not legislated in days like these- then there is no other situation for it! And what has happened today could be exemplified to what happened to the seventy recitors of Qur'an who were killed [unjustly]! And hence the Prophet (sallahAllaahu alayhi wasallam) supplicated with the *qunoot* – for a whole month- supplicating against those who killed them.

So this situation is like that, hence it is upon us to turn to supplication.

And as to what is regarding the issue of the rulers and what is upon them; honestly and certainly these are matters which are of their concern. And deficiencies are present, and **deficiencies are from all levels**: the general Muslims have been deficient, the scholars of Islaam have been deficient, the rulers of the Muslim have been deficient: but that which a person does not have ability of – then he is not obligated of it.

So it is upon each person to be attentive of his own self – and whoever is able to help other than himself- then it is obligatory on him; as it is from the ways of commanding good and forbidding evil while having insight [in what you are doing] – so this is for one who has ability of it. As for one who does not have the capacity; then Allâh burdens not a person beyond his scope, but it is for us to **exert and be busy with du'aa**.

"And your Lord said: "Invoke Me, [i.e. believe in My Oneness (Islâmic Monotheism)] (and ask Me for anything) I will respond to your (invocation)."
[Ghaafir (40):60]

[And He said:]

"Is not He Who responds to the distressed one, when he calls Him...."
[An-Naml (27):62]

And the du'aa in secrecy – there is no doubt- that it is closer to **Ikhlaas** [sincerity in directing the action for Allaah alone] compared to the congregational one. But as for these times [we have to note also that] the *qunoot* is a Sunnah; and reviving it is something legislated – and also- sticking on to what has been

narrated in the authentic texts from among the supplications mentioned or used by the Prophet (sallahAllaahu alayhi wasallam). And it has been established in the authentic hadeeth that he supplicated – rather he cursed- those transgress upon the allies of Allaah :

‘O Allah, let Your curse be on those disbelievers who prevent people from Your religion, and they reject Your prophet, and they show enmity to Your allies....’
[authenticated by Imaam Al-Albaanee in Fiqhus-Seerah]

And he would supplicate for the weak ones from among the Muslims [and even mention them]: O Allaah aid so-and so, and so-and-so: in specific and to the general Muslims.

In all; [we say] the general Muslims do not have capacity except of du’aa, and the orders are from the leaders – and [surely] the leaders have their policies and actions- and indeed they have a great responsibility in front of Allaah The Most Mighty The Majestic.

And Allaah is the Helper.’